TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

- DATE:

March 3, 1982

TO:

John P. Saad File

FROM:

Barry Sulkin BUS

SUBJECT:

Meeting With Division Of Water Resources

On March I, 1982, I met with Frank Alexander of Department of Conservation, Division of Water Resources and Bob Burchett of U.S.G.S. regarding the Saad waste case on Trousdale and the spring on the Croft farm.

The Croft farm has been willed to the Cumberland Museum and Mr. Buck Allison (former Commissioner of the Department of Conservation) has recently been asked to prepare a plan for developing the Croft property into a park. While visiting the site a few weeks ago, he noticed the polluted spring - bright orange algae and a chemical odor. He contacted Frank Alexander for assistance and Frank visited the site soon afterwards. Neither could understand the situation and in checking further, Joe Holland was contacted and informed Frank about the Saad case. He then returned to the site and took some VOA samples (results not yet available).

Frank then contacted me to inquire into the matter further and suggested that perhaps a study could be done with the help of the U.S.G.S. to determine the source of the contamination (i.e. Saad and/or L&N) and if clean-up is possible. The Museum would be reluctant to develop a park with the present situation. Further planning will be done to determine if a study is justifiable and fundable. It would appear that the museum interest would want the Saad case and clean-up resolved before a park is developed.

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